



Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure Newsletter

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Retirement of Executive Director

In December, the Board's Executive Director, C. William Schmidt, announced his retirement effective December 31, 2011. Mr. Schmidt had served as the Board's Executive Director for 38 years and was noted to be the longest serving medical board executive director in the nation. The Board would like to express its appreciation to Mr. Schmidt for his many years of dedicated service and countless contributions to the medical community and the Commonwealth.

As result of this announcement, the Board, at its December meeting, named Michael S. Rodman as the new Executive Director effective January 1, 2012. Mr. Rodman, an Ashland native and graduate of the University of Kentucky, had previously served as the Board's Assistant Executive Director since 2002.

Protecting Your Practice

In order to assist physicians in identifying patients who are doctor shopping and patients who are diverting medication, the Board wanted to provide you with some general tips on protecting your practice along with some helpful advice to help identify doctor shoppers and avoid becoming a victim.

General Tips

- Remain up to date with the Medical Practice Act and Board Opinions such as the Opinion on Prescribing Controlled Substances for Treatment of Pain, which are available at <http://www.kbml.ky.gov/board/policies.htm>
- Keep well documented patient records.
- Be familiar with office personnel and their interactions with patients.

Seasoned doctor shoppers may focus their attention on staff.

- Maintain appropriate controls on prescription pads.
Do not leave pre-signed pads for staff - it is illegal.
- Do not prescribe controlled substances for "immediate family." A definition of "immediate family" is defined on the Board's website.
- Run KASPER reports on patients.
- Maintain appropriate controls/security on KASPER access and reports.

Tips To Identify Doctor Shoppers

- Use KASPER
New Patients
Before prescribing a controlled substance
Periodically for patients receiving a controlled substance (Every 3-6 months.)
- Be suspicious if a patient requests specific or brand names.
- Require photo ID for patient records.
- Be suspicious of vague or inconsistent patient complaints.
- Be suspicious of patients coming with family members, all wanting the same medications or with the same complaint. (Continued on page 3)

Board Orders can be viewed under the Physician Profile/ Verification of License link on the Board's website at www.kbml.ky.gov.

Board Actions Report (Actions taken since 10/01/11)

Mark E. Buchanan, M.D., Bowling Green, KY, License # 42906

Amended Agreed Order entered into 11/16/11.

Paul A. Clark, M.D., Lexington, KY, License # 25147

Order Terminating Agreed Order issued 12/02/11.

Jason R. Deskins, D.O., Louisa, KY, License # 03210

Amended Agreed Order entered into 12/02/11.

Curtis D. Edens, D.O., Louisa, KY, License # 02610

Agreed Order entered into 11/09/11.

Michael D. Hamilton, M.D., Mt. Vernon, KY, License # 32467

Order Terminating Agreed Order issued 11/23/11.

Mark T. Henderson, M.D., Louisville, KY, License #33009

Agreed Order entered into 10/10/11.

Mark T. Henderson, M.D., Louisville, KY, License # 33009

Amended Agreed Order entered into 11/29/11.

Lawrence J. Jedlicka, M.D., Louisville, KY, License # 43103

Amended Agreed Order entered into 10/19/11.

Sam R. Kesri, M.D., Bowling Green, KY, License # 33804

Amended Agreed Order entered into 11/09/11.

Nagi H. Morsi, M.D., Bowling Green, KY, License # 32513

Order Terminating Agreed Order issued 11/29/11.

George O. Nobile, M.D., Louisville, KY, License # 28211

Second Amended Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into 11/09/11.

Larry E. Perry, M.D., Whitley City, KY, License # 35454

Agreed Order of Surrender entered into 10/20/11.

Chandra D. Reddy, M.D., Cave City, KY, License # 32087

Order Terminating Agreed Order issued 10/31/11.

Peter T. Rock, M.D., London, KY, License # 23757

Order Terminating Agreed Order issued 11/29/11.

Jeffrey B. Rubinstein, M.D., Florence, KY, License # 22993

Order Terminating Agreed Order issued 10/31/11.

Julie C. Stumbo, PA-C, Lexington, KY, License # PA927
Agreed Order entered into 12/05/11.

John S. Temponeras, M.D., Portsmouth, OH, License # 38978

Agreed Order of Surrender entered into 11/17/11.

Subhash A. Vyas, M.D., South Williamson, KY, License #20556

Third Amended Agreed Order entered into 10/05/11.

Darwin P. Whitaker, PA-C, Hazard, KY, License # PA361
Agreed Order entered into 11/10/11.

Chester R. Young, Jr., M.D., Paris, KY, License # 20267
Order Terminating Agreed Order issued 11/28/11.

Restrictions have also been placed on the following physicians' licenses pending resolution of charges brought against these physicians:

Chaisak Pengvanich, M.D., Louisville, KY, License # 17517

Complaint and Emergency Order of Restriction issued 12/05/11, effective 12/06/11.

Tufan Senler, M.D., Louisville, KY, License # 29459

Complaint and Emergency Order of Suspension issued 12/22/11, Effective 12/23/11.

John A. Sharp, M.D., Wilmington, DE, License # 26709

Emergency Order of Suspension issued 11/03/11, effective 11/07/11.

Renewal of Medical License For 2012

The 2012 annual renewal notice was mailed to physicians on December 21, 2011. State regulation requires all physicians currently practicing in the state to renew their license by March 1, 2012 and pay the \$150.00 registration fee in order to keep their license active. Renewals paid after March 1, 2012 but prior to the April 1, 2012 deadline, may be made by paying an additional \$50.00 penalty fee. Failure to renew your license by the April 1, 2012 deadline will cause your license to automatically become inactive and subsequent practice in Kentucky will be considered the unauthorized practice of medicine or osteopathy.

To renew your Kentucky medical/osteopathic license, please go to the Board's website, www.kbml.ky.gov, choose the physician renewal tab, click on the renewal link and log in using your Kentucky license number as your username and the last four digits of your social security number as your password. There is also a paper application on the website should you choose to renew your license by paper. There is an additional \$10.00 charge if you renew by paper application. If you have any questions regarding your renewal or require assistance, please contact the Board at (502) 429-7150 extension 0.

Protecting Your Practice (Continued from page 1)

- Is the patient carpooling to your office with other patients?
- Do patients know each other? Are they possibly mingling in the parking lot after visits?
- Check patient address. Are patients driving long distances to see the physician?
- Be wary of patients asking for frequent early prescriptions due to vacations, or new prescriptions when they should still have refills available.
- Be suspicious of patients claiming lost or stolen medications. Require a police report, or if you believe them, limit to one time.
- Require patients to sign drug or pain contract with the physician.
Consider limiting the patient to one pharmacy in the contract.
- Perform random drug screens.
- Secure your prescription pads - even from staff! Serialize your secure prescription pads.
- Write prescriptions in longhand to prevent further tampering. Make copies for patient files for proof if altered.
- Be suspicious of patients stating they are allergic to NSAIDS.
- If a patient presents an MRI, verify it's from a legitimate facility.
- Be suspicious of patients who frequently show up late in the day or on Friday afternoon (hoping you will be too busy to ask many questions or conduct a thorough examination.)

Questions to ask the Patient

- Are you seeing other practitioners for this or any other reason?
- When did you last see the other practitioner?
- What medications were you prescribed?
- What pharmacy did you use?
- Request identification with photo, DOB, SSN, and address.
- Compare all information with the KASPER report.

Diversion - What to do when diversion is suspected

- If you suspect an individual is involved in diverting controlled substances, the Board recommends that you please report them to the proper local law enforcement authorities.
- If you are unsure who to contact, please call the Drug Enforcement and Professional Practices Branch of the Office of Inspector General for assistance.
 - (502) 564-7985
 - <http://chfs.ky.gov/os/oig/auditsinv>
- It is important to note that pursuant to KRS 218A.280, information communicated to a practitioner in an effort to unlawfully procure a controlled substance, or to unlawfully procure the administration of any controlled substance, shall not be deemed a privileged communication. Remember you are not violating any law for reporting a doctor shopper/diverter.

Meeting Dates for 2012

Board of Medical Licensure

March 15
June 21
September 20
December 13

Inquiry Panel A

February 16
May 17
August 16
November 15

Inquiry Panel B

January 19
April 19
July 19
October 18

Acupuncturist Advisory Committee

March 14
June 20
September 19
December 12

Athletic Trainer Council

February 1
May 2
August 1
November 7

Physician Assistant Advisory Committee

February 2
May 3
August 2
November 1

Surgical Assistant Advisory Committee

February 2
May 11
August 2
November 2

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Change of Address Notice

Please Note: The information that you provide on this Change of Address Notice will be used to update your profile on the Board's web site at www.kbml.ky.gov.

You may also change your address online from the Board's website www.kbml.ky.gov/Address/

(Please Print or Type Information)

Date: _____ KY License Number: _____

Name: _____
(last) (first) (m.i.)

Mailing Address: _____
(Street)

(City) (State) (Zip)

Practice Address: _____
(Street)

(City) (State) (Zip)

Practice County: _____

Office Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____
(Email address is not published)